

FAITHFUL IN LITTLE.

I CANNOT do great things for him
Who did so much for me,
But I should like to show my love,
Dear Jesus, unto thee:
Faithful in very little things,
O Saviour, may I be.

There are small things in daily life
In which I may obey,
And thus may show my love to thee;
And always—every day—
There are some little loving words
Which I for thee may say.

There are small crosses I may take,
Small burdens I may bear,
Small acts of faith and deeds of love,
Small sorrows I may share;
And little bits of work for thee
I may do everywhere.

So I ask thee, Lord, to give me grace
My little place to fill,
That I may ever walk with thee,
And ever do thy will;
That in each duty, great or small,
I may be faithful still.

LESSON NOTES.

THIRD QUARTER.

STUDIES IN THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
MATTHEW.

A.D. 26.] LESSON IV. [July 24.

THE BAPTISM OF JESUS.

Matt. 3. 1-17. Commit to memory vs. 15-17.

GOLDEN TEXT.

This is my beloved Son, in whom I am
well pleased. *Matt. 3. 17.*

OUTLINE.

1. The Baptism.
2. The Voice.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

Who came to John when he was baptizing in the river Jordan? Jesus.

From where did Jesus come? From his home in Galilee.

For what did Jesus come? To be baptized.

What did John say to Jesus? "I have need to be baptized of thee."

Why did John need to be baptized of Jesus? Because there was sin in his heart.

Why did he hesitate to baptize Jesus? He knew he was the Son of God, holy and sinless.

What did Jesus say to John? "Suffer it to be so now."

Why did Jesus wish to be baptized? That he might obey all the law of God.

What took place immediately after Jesus was baptized? The heavens were opened.

What did John see? The Spirit of God coming down and resting upon Jesus' head.

In what form did the Spirit come? In the form of a dove.

What did Jesus hear? God's voice.

What did the voice say? (Repeat the GOLDEN TEXT.)

How old was Jesus when he was baptized of John? About thirty years old.

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

God was pleased with Jesus because he was obedient to his will.

God will be pleased with you if you are obedient to his will.

Obedience to God will give you more love and joy and faith than anything else in the world.

"Blessed are they that do his commandments."

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION. — Christ our Pattern.

CATECHISM QUESTION.

May we all hope for this grace? Yes, through the Saviour who was promised when our first parents fell into sin.

A.D. 26.] LESSON V. [July 31.

THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS.

Matt. 4. 1-11. Commit to memory vs. 1-7.

GOLDEN TEXT.

He is able to succour them that are tempted. *Heb. 2. 18.*

OUTLINE.

1. Temptation.
2. Triumph.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME STUDY.

Where did the Spirit lead Jesus after he was baptized? Into the wilderness.

What did Jesus do in the wilderness? He fasted forty days and forty nights.

Who came to him after his long fast? Satan, the tempter.

Why did Satan come to him? To persuade him to sin against God.

How did Satan first tempt Jesus? He told him to make bread for himself.

How would that have been sin in Jesus? It would have been doubting God's care.

How did Jesus answer Satan? "Man does not live by bread alone, but by the words of God."

What did Satan next try to lead Jesus to do? Throw himself down from a high place in the temple.

How would Jesus have sinned in doing this? He would have gone into needless danger, and obeyed Satan.

How did he answer Satan? "Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God."

What did Satan then want Jesus to do? To bow down and worship him.

How did he try to tempt him? He promised him all the kingdoms of the world.

What would Jesus have broken had he worshipped Satan? God's first Commandment.

What is it? "Thou shalt have no other gods before me."

What did Jesus say to Satan? "Get thee hence."

Who came and comforted him after Satan had left him? Angels.

Why is Jesus strong to help us to overcome temptation? Because he overcame temptation himself. (Repeat the GOLDEN TEXT.)

WORDS WITH LITTLE PEOPLE.

Satan will try to make you think he loves you better than God.

He will try to make you doubt God's care.

He will try to coax you to serve him instead of God.

He will promise you great things if you will obey him.

But to every temptation say, as Jesus did, "Get thee hence, Satan."

DOCTRINAL SUGGESTION.—Temptation.

CATECHISM QUESTION.

How may we be saved from sin? Only through Jesus Christ, the Eternal Son of God.

LOST AND TIRED.

LITTLE Marjorie went too far from home; walked down one lane and turned up another, and played in a field all alone; and then when she wished to go home she could not find the way. She tried hard to remember how she had come, but could not. There was no one near to help her. She cried much and was very sorrowful, and then sat down to think, and soon fell asleep. But if Marjorie could see no one, some One saw Marjorie. The good God in heaven watched over the little child and guided her brother in his search for her to the very place where she was, and he took her safely home. But little girls should learn from Marjorie's trouble that they should not ramble away from home and friends, or they may get lost and give trouble; and they should always remember that God sees them and loves them.